

Substitute Bill No. 794

January Session, 2001

## AN ACT CONCERNING CONSULTANTS ON STATE PROJECTS AND THE DEMOLITION OF STATE FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Subdivision (4) of section 4b-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
  - (4) The commissioner may designate projects to be accomplished on a total cost basis for (A) new facilities to provide for the substantial space needs of a requesting agency, [or] (B) the installation of mechanical or electrical equipment systems in existing state facilities, or (C) the demolition of any state facility that the commissioner is authorized to demolish under the general statutes. If the commissioner designates a project as a designated total cost basis project, the commissioner may enter into a single contract with a private developer which [includes] may include such project elements as site acquisition, [if applicable,] architectural design and construction. All contracts for such designated projects shall be based on competitive proposals received by the commissioner, who shall give notice of such project, and specifications [therefor] for the project, by advertising, at least once, in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the area in which such project is to be located. The commissioner shall determine all other requirements and conditions for such proposals and awards and shall have sole responsibility for all other aspects of such contracts. applicable, such Such contracts shall state clearly

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- 22 [facility] product on a date certain, the maximum cost of the project
- and, as a separate item, the cost of site acquisition, if applicable. No
- 24 such contract may be entered into by the commissioner without the
- 25 prior approval of the State Properties Review Board and unless
- 26 funding has been authorized pursuant to the general statutes or a
- 27 public or special act.
- Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 4b-55 of the general statutes is
- 29 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 30 (g) "Project" means any state program requiring consultant services
- 31 if (1) the cost of such services is estimated to exceed fifty thousand
- dollars or, in the case of a constituent unit of the state system of higher
- 33 education, the cost of such services is estimated to exceed three
- 34 hundred thousand dollars, [or] and (2) the construction costs in
- 35 connection with such program are estimated to exceed five hundred
- 36 thousand dollars; or, in the case of a constituent unit of the state
- 37 system of higher education, other than The University of Connecticut,
- 38 the construction costs in connection with such program are estimated
- 39 to exceed two million dollars.

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